

# UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM

## RIDGE MANOR AVE/PATRICK HENRY HIGH-PROJECT BLOCK

July/August 2012

### WELCOME TO THE UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM E-NEWS #3

This is the third e-news update to inform you of the progress of the Utilities Undergrounding Program in the Ridge Manor Ave./Patrick Henry High (RM/PHH) Project Block area. Approximately once a month during construction, or when significant events occur, you will receive an e-mail update.

### UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The City of San Diego has been undergrounding utility lines since 1970. Approximately 1,200 miles of overhead utility lines remain to be undergrounded. The City, in cooperation with SDG&E, Cox Communications, Time Warner and AT&T, is currently undergrounding the utility lines in your community.

### PROJECT BLOCK RM/PHH HIGHLIGHTS

- 2.76 miles of utilities will be undergrounded
- 170 private residences will have their utilities undergrounded
- 42 street lights will be installed
- 40 shade trees will be installed
- 33 curb ramps will be installed
- Streets will be resurfaced or slurry sealed curb-to-curb

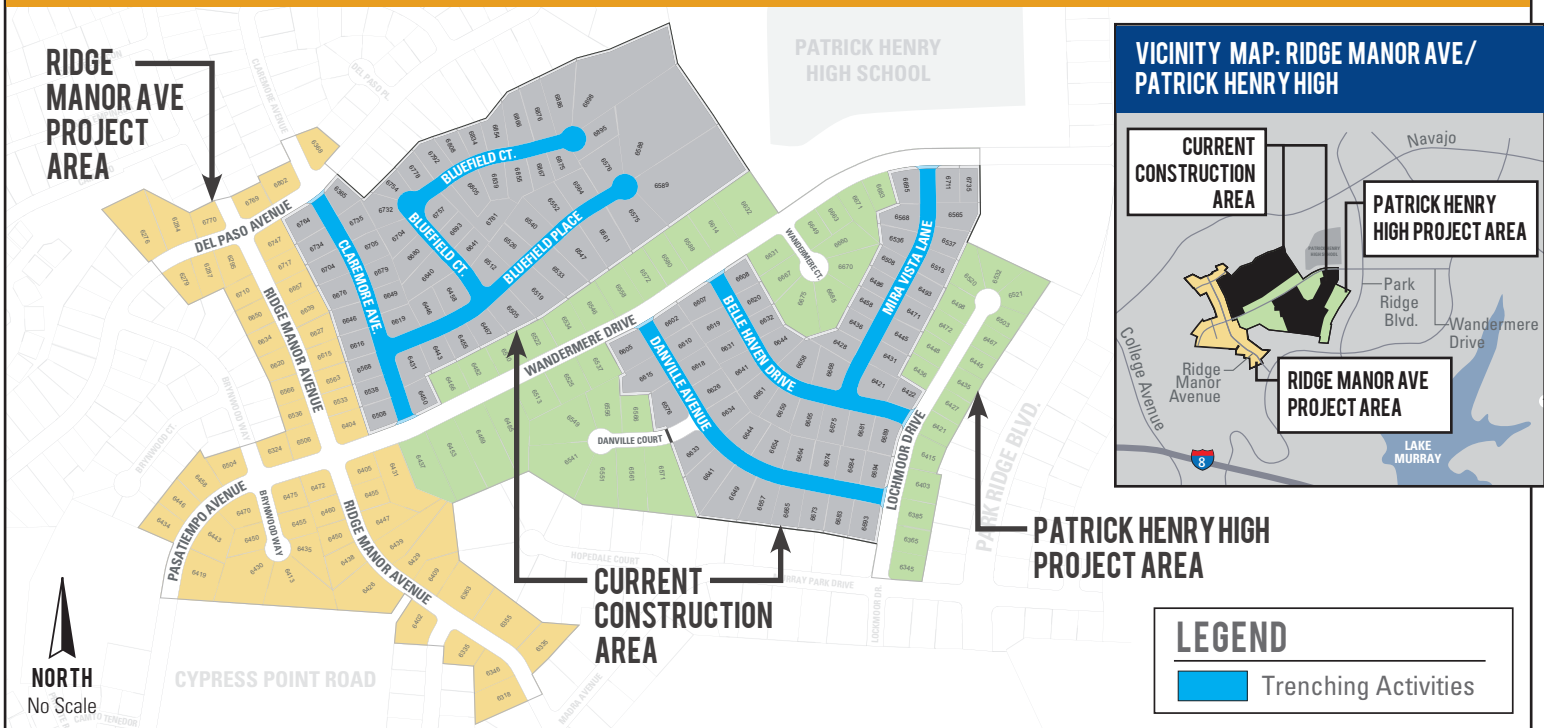
### PROJECT BLOCK RM/PHH CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY PHASES

- Construction start: February 2012
- Panel and trench work: February 2012- February 2013
- Cabling, cut-overs and streetlights: March 2013 - March 2014
- Overhead line removal: March 2014
- Street resurfacing: Summer 2014

### CURRENT PROJECT BLOCK RM/PHH CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

- Crews are doing panel work throughout the Project Block.
- Trenching activities are taking place on Claremore Avenue between Del Paso Avenue and Wandermere Drive.
- Trenching activities are taking place on Bluefield Place and Bluefield Court.
- Trenching activities are taking place on Danville Avenue and Belle Haven Drive between Wandermere Drive and Lochmoor Drive.
- Trenching activities are taking place on Mira Vista Lane between Wandermere Drive and Belle Haven Drive.

### CURRENT CONSTRUCTION AREA MAP: RIDGE MANOR AVE/ PATRICK HENRY HIGH



### PANEL AND TRENCHING ACTIVITIES

Panel work by Southern Contracting is well underway. Panel work is when electricians prepare the electrical panel at your home to receive underground service. Approximately two weeks prior to any work being performed on your property, you should receive a door hanger with the electrical contractor's name and phone number on it. If you have any questions or concerns about the work, please do not hesitate to contact the electrical contractor. **To date, approximately 98% of the paneling work has been completed in the Ridge Manor Ave. area and approximately 60% of the paneling work has been completed in the Patrick Henry High area.**

You have likely seen the trenching work in the streets. **To date, our contractor is approximately 90% completed with the trench work in the Ridge Manor Ave. area and is approximately 15% completed with the trench work in the Patrick Henry area.** We ask for your patience as they complete this work, as it can be disruptive and distracting. Approximately two weeks prior to the start of the trench work on your property and in the street, you will receive a door hanger with the trenching contractor's name and phone number on it. If you have any questions or concerns about the work, please do not hesitate to contact the contractor.



*Crew members evaluate the trenching activities in preparation to install the underground conduit lines.*

### CABLING AND CUT-OVER ACTIVITIES

After all trenching operations have been completed by our contractor, the cabling portion of the work will begin. Another contractor will perform the cabling work. Cabling involves technicians placing new utility lines in the new conduits, so that the new lines can be "energized" and brought into service. Once the new system has been energized, the process to "cut-over" customers from overhead to underground services will begin. We anticipate this process will move very swiftly and it's not nearly as disruptive or distracting as the trenching work, which is why you may not even see us working.

### CORRECTION NOTICES

**Currently, there are 14 residences in the Ridge Manor Ave. portion of the Ridge Manor Ave./Patrick Henry High Project Block that need to make corrections to their services or properties.** Most of these corrections will be minor and are the responsibility of the property owner. Corrections need to be complete before we can cut customers over to the new underground system. **Customers who are not cut-over to the new underground system risk loss of service when the overhead system is removed.**

If you need to make a correction to your property in order to pass final inspection, you will receive a door hanger or letter from a City of San Diego inspector. The door hanger and letter have a description of the correction needed. Most of these corrections are minor. Please do not delay in contacting the inspector whose name and phone number appear on these notices, so that the problem can be resolved.

### SAFETY

If you see anyone on your property that is not visibly wearing an identification badge, or if they are in a vehicle that is not marked with a contractor or utility company name, please call the Information Line at (619) 533-3841 or the San Diego Police Department. The construction crew must travel in marked vehicles and have proper identification at all times on the jobsite.

### CONTACT US

In the event that you are not satisfied or pleased with the work that was done on your property or your street, please let us know. **Please do not attempt to make corrections, adjustments or improvements yourself.** We promise to work with you on reaching a solution or creating an outcome that meets your needs and ours in this process. We will not be able to switch your services to the new underground system if any modifications were done to our work. If you are unsure about the status of the work that has taken place on your property or your street, contact us at:

- Information Line: (619) 533-3841
- Email: [undergrounding@sandiego.gov](mailto:undergrounding@sandiego.gov)

### UTILITIES UNDERGROUNDING PROGRAM VIDEO

A video about the Utilities Undergrounding Program can be seen by visiting our web site at [www.sandiego.gov/undergrounding](http://www.sandiego.gov/undergrounding) and clicking on video. By watching it, you can see all the processes associated with our work and gain a better understanding of what is involved in completing those processes.

We thank you in advance for your patience and support while we complete the Utilities Undergrounding Program project in the Ridge Manor community.